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RESEARCH DESIGN AND STANDARDS ORGANISATION
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Research Development and Standards Organisation at Lucknow has been unable to equip itself with modern gadgetry and personnel to give relevant suggestions or proposals to the Government on rail safety;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government are considering to start a new institute on the lines of the IIT to make available a highly qualified cadre of railway engineers and personnel;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken to change the style and manner of functioning of RDSO in the interest of modernisation and safety programmes of the railways ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) No, Sir. Research Development and Standards Organisation (RDSO) is equipped with test and design facilities for safety monitoring of track and Over-Head Equipment and also to evolve safety related new equipments and modifications to improve safety.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) Recently an internal re-organisation of RDSO has been done in order to segregate the Research & Development activities from that of routine activities so that more thrust can be given to research and development.